Rose In The Ghetto

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Since the day she was born she was often told she was beautiful Didn't understand why mommy told her, "No, take that ribbon out your hair that we can't afford." To make it as a star is all she waits for. A blanket in the car is all she call home. Don't wanna leave here anymore. By the time she was 12 years old, Pops got close, took all thei r dough Now baby gotta do the only thing she know Begging kids for the clothes they don't wear no more And everybody know so she can't be cool Rumors goin' 'round at school Ma, please don't make me go there anymore Who said that a rose can't grow in the ghetto? Believe it or not, I promise the sun don't only shine in the me adows You do what you got til you got it and you're gone Cause oooh child things is going to get easier Oooh child things'll be brighter 16 and she still a child She tryna be grown and she acting wild Body like a model and killer smile Getting love from dudes the only why she knows how She's thinking to herself there's gotta be more than cutting on a Lexus floor Mama, don't guys fall in love anymore? She waking up dizzy at 3 and 4 She's scared to tell her mom so she can't abort Everybody she done been with slams the door She's door low until the day it's born But she ain't gon cry for nothing that spilled(?) and ain't nobody love the way this kid will I got a rose of my own Who said that a rose can't grow in the ghetto? Believe it or not, I promise the sun don't only shine in the m eadows You do what you got til you got it and you're gone Cause oooh child things is going to get easier Oooh child things'll be brighter